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ABSTRACT:

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a
network storage system. Each disk has two ownership attributes set to show
that a particular file server owns the disk. In a preferred embodiment the
first ownership attribute is the serial number of the file server being written
to a specific location on each disk and the second ownership attribute is
setting a SCSI-3 persistent reservation. In a system utilizing this disk
ownership method, multiple file servers can read data from a given disk, but
only the file server that owns a particular disk can write data to the disk.